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1.4 (b) and (d)

¶2. (SBU) Ambassador Riley delivered reftel demarche on North Korea to Minister-Delegate Taib Fassi Fihri at the MFA on October 6, 2006.

¶3. (C) Fassi Fihri responded that Morocco fully supported our efforts of preventive diplomacy at the UN Security Council urging North Korea not to conduct a nuclear test. He also stated that the GOM appreciated the U.S. taking a more balanced approach toward North Korea vis-a-vis Iran. As a new IAEA Board of Governors member, Morocco will remain stalwart on nonproliferation. It believed, however, that the rights of all countries to peaceful use of nuclear energy should be protected.

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